Financial assistance to non-Governmental organisations

96. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of all non-Governmental organisations which have received financial assistance from the Ministry of Environment and Forests during the last three years with the break up of amounts for each such non-Governmental organisations and total amount for the last three years;

(b) whether there is any assessment of the expenditure of funds so granted has been made; and

(c) what is the existing mode of assessment of this policy, in view of the fact that non-Governmental organisations spend too much on overheads, travel and office expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY): (a) A Statement showing the schemewise financial assistance provided to various Non-Governmental Organisations during the last three years is placed on the Table of the Sabha. (See Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 5]

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The assessment is made according to the prescribed guidelines and standard norms laid down by the Ministry for various items of the grant including travel, overheads, office expenditure etc.

Investment in and losses of Public Sector Undertakings

97. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present number of Public Sector Undertakings in the country and what is the number of Units which are incurring losses;

(b) what has been the total investment in the PSUs so far and what was the loss on account of sick units upto 31st March, 1990; and whether Government have looked into the matter; and

(c) what concrete measures Government have taken so far to check the growing sickness in PSUs and improve the financial performance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) During 1988-89, 101 out of 229 operating Central PSEs incurred losses.

(b) and (c) Total investment in Central PSEs as on 31st March, 1989 was Rs. 85,564 crores. The total loss incurred by 101 loss-making enterprises was Rs. 1907 crores. Figures for the year 1989 90 will become available only towards the end of the year when all the annual audited accounts of the enterprises are received and compiled. Sustained efforts are being made by the Government to improve the performance of the enterprises through various measures like restructuring, technology upgradation, change in product mix, improved maintenance management, etc.

Colleges getting grants from UGC in Rajasthan

98. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of colleges getting grants from University Grants Commission in Rajasthan for the last two years; and

(b) what criteria has been fixed by U.G.C. to render financial assistance to the colleges both technical as well as non-technical in various parts of the country?